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SUBJECT: US RESPONSE TO PARLIAMENTARY QUERY ON US MONITORING STATIONS

REF: STATE 222877

1. LYSSARIDES ALLEGATION HAS NOT BEEN PICKED UP BY ANYBODY EXCEPT HIS OWN NEWSPAPER, AND WE HAVE HAD NO INQUIRIES YET. WE BELIEVE THIS CAN BE PASSED IN SILENCE.

2. PURPOSE OF FINAL SENTENCE PROPOSED US CONTINGENCY RESPONSE IS TO TURN OFF FURTHER INQUIRIES BY PERMITTING US ON EACH INQUIRY SIMPLY TO REFER TO THAT STATEMENT. ALSO, WE BELIEVE STATEMENT AS DRAFTED COULD BE DEFENDED IN ANY FORUM, WHEREAS WITH LAST SENTENCE DELETED IT INVITES ADDITIONAL QUESTION: "WHAT ELSE?" IF ONLY BECAUSE ALL AMERICANS HERE WOULD SEE STATEMENT IF ISSUED, WE THINK DESIRABLE TO USE FULL STATEMENT AS SENT NICOSIA 2292, WHICH IS VALID. RECENT US HISTORY SUGGESTS WE SHOULD NOT LIGHTLY COMPROMISE OUR OWN CREDIBILITY EVEN TO EXTENT OF PERSUADING SOME USG EMPLOYEES THAT WE HAVE ISSUED A DELIBERATELY PARTIAL STATEMENT.

3. DEPT AWARE FROM NICOSIA 2292 THAT WE HAVE ALREADY

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GIVEN STATEMENT TO GOVT OF CYPRUS PIO. IN ANY EVENT, WE

HOPE WE WILL NOT NEED TO USE IT.

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